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The Honorable Senator Edith Prague, Legislative Office Building Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Dear Senator Prague,

My name is Bertram Geuser, President of Analytical Consulting Technology, Inc., we are a public health lab providing services to Connecticut industry and municipalities. Our company is located in Waterbury, an extremely expensive location in which to operate.

I am writing to ask that you oppose House Bill 6187- An Act Mandating Employers Providing Paid Sick Leave to Employees. This bill will require Connecticut employers to provide paid sick leave for all employees. This proposal will substantially increase the cost of business and could force us to reconsider expensive benefits medical currently provided to employees. This action may force employees to seek medical benefits through state subsidized programs.

Preventing the passage of this bill is crucial to the future well-being of our economy and to all residents of Connecticut. Connecticut is already one of the most expensive states in the United States to conduct business and we cannot afford to lose any more jobs to other, more affordable states. The passage of this bill would not make Connecticut a very attractive place to do business.

Connecticut legislators need now more than ever to focus solely on the major problems affecting all of its citizens:

- 1. Rapidly rising cost of Health Care
- 2. High cost of business and living in Connecticut.
- 3. Loss of jobs due to globalization.

Now more than ever elected officials must focus on real problems and stop working on any peripheral issues that do nothing to address these problems.

Thank you for your consideration,

Bertram Geuser, President